

**AN ACT TO AMEND PRIVATE ACTS OF 1947, CHAPTER 384, SECTION 16
AS AMENDED BY PRIVATE ACTS OF 1977, CHAPTER 76**

WHEREAS, Rutherford County previously adopted Chapter 384 of Private Acts of 1947, thereby creating a General Sessions Court in Rutherford County; and

WHEREAS, the County legislative body of Rutherford County desires to amend Private Acts of 1947, Chapter 384, Section 16 as amended by Private Acts of 1977, Chapter 76.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Rutherford County Board of Commissioners, that Private Acts of 1947, Chapter 384, Section 16 as amended by Private Acts of 1977, Chapter 76, is hereby amended as follows:

1. Section 16 of Private Acts of 1947, Chapter 384, Section 16 as amended by Private Acts of 1977, Chapter 76 is hereby repealed and in substitution thereof is adopted the following:

“Section 16. The judges of the General Sessions Courts, including the Probate Courts, and the independent Juvenile Court of Rutherford County, Tennessee, are authorized and empowered to appoint, qualified persons at least eighteen (18) years of age to serve as court officers, which may include the offices of legal secretary, law clerk, Civil/Probate Court Coordinator and Juvenile Court Magistrate, for said courts, and whose primary duties shall be to attend and wait upon those courts whenever they are in session, to maintain order and decorum in the courtrooms and chambers, to perform such other duties as the courts may prescribe and to perform duties as defined in the job descriptions for said offices as adopted by the County Legislative Body. The said officer, or officers, shall serve at the pleasure of the judges of said courts, and vacancies in the office shall be filled in the same manner and subject to the same terms as provided for the original appointments.

Before entering upon the duties of the officer, the said officer, or officers, and any successor in the office, shall subscribe an appropriate oath chosen and administered by said officer's appointing judge.

At the expense of the county, and when performing any of the duties of the office, the said officer, or officers, and any successor shall display a badge of the office, and shall be entitled to compensation from the county treasury in such amount and upon such terms as the County Legislative Body shall determine from time to time.

2. In all other respects, the present Private Acts of 1947, Chapter 384, Section 16 as amended be and the same are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

3. This Act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-third (2/3) vote of the legislative body of Rutherford County. Its approval or non-approval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the Secretary of State.

4. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this Amendment, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in the section immediately above.

RESOLVED this ____ of February, 2013.

RUTHERFORD COUNTY, TENNESSEE

ATTEST:

BY: _____

ERNEST G. BURGESS, Chairman

LISA D. CROWELL, County Clerk